

FY 15-16 Brunswick County RPF JCPC Program Description

Teen Court - Provides a diversion from juvenile court where trained adult and youth volunteers act as officials of the court to hear complaints. These programs make recommendations for appropriate sanctions including but not limited to community service and restitution (if applicable) to be assigned to the youth who have admitted committing minor delinquency and undisciplined complaints. Professional adult staff provides supervision of the court proceedings and any subsequent community service and/or restitution. (Length of Stay= Not to exceed 120 days, however 60 additional days may be approved to complete sanctions; Frequency of Contact= Not Specified)

Parent/Family Skill Building – Services that focus on interactional or interpersonal issues faced by a parent(s)/family of a juvenile. This service works to develop parenting skills, communication skills, discipline techniques, and other related skills. May include sessions for parents only and/or sessions for parents and their child(ren). (Length of Stay= Minimum 12 weeks unless implementing a model program & following model specifications, Frequency of Contact= no less than 2 hours weekly).

Interpersonal Skill Building – Services that focus on developing the social skills required for an individual to interact in a positive way with others. The basic skill model begins with an individual's goals, progresses to how these goals should be translated into appropriate and effective social behaviors, and concludes with the impact of the behavior on the social environment. Typical training techniques are instruction, modeling of behavior, practice and rehearsal, feedback, reinforcement. May also include training in a set of techniques, such as conflict resolution or decision making, that focus on how to effectively deal with specific types of problems or issues that an individual may confront in interacting with others. (Length of Stay= Minimum 12 weeks unless implementing a model program & following model specifications, Frequency of Contact= no less than 2 hours weekly)

Restitution/Community Service

Restitution - Programs that provide opportunities for offender to be accountable for their actions to the community and/or victim(s) through forms of payments or community service work that earns money to repay the victim(s).

Community Service - A court-ordered dispositional alternative for a delinquent juvenile, consistent with the requirements of G.S. 7A-649, and entailing, on the juvenile's part, for purposes of this definition either community service to redress an injury to any person or entity that has suffered loss or damage as a result of the offense committed by the juvenile. Services should be provided for diverted and/or adjudicated youth.

(Length of Stay: Diverted youth and Teen Court referrals= no more than 6 months, Court supervision= one year unless otherwise ordered; Frequency of Contact= minimum twice per month and no less than 8 hours per month)

Temporary Shelter Care - Provides group home care and shelter (up to 90 days) for juveniles who need to be temporary removed from their homes during a family crisis. (Length of Stay= up to 90 days, Frequency of Contact=NA)

Clinical Assessments or Psychological Evaluations - Clinical Evaluations and Assessments, including Psychological Evaluations to help court counselors and judges recommend the most appropriate consequences and treatment for court involved youth.

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Sexual Offender Treatment - Provides outpatient assessment and/or therapeutic services to juvenile offenders targeting inappropriate sexual conduct and offending behavior with clear focus on rehabilitation and accountability of the offender. Practiced primarily in groups, has a family focus, has designated follow-up procedures and is generally legally mandated. (Length of Stay=1 ½ to 2 years, Frequency of Contact= weekly with declining frequency as the course of treatment concludes)